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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Honorable Millard Caldwell
Administrator
Federal Civil Defense Administration
Washington, D. C.

Dear Governor Caldwell:

I appreciate the fact that certain types of foreign intelligence are necessary to you for the fulfillment of your responsibilities and that this places an obligation on the Central Intelligence Agency and other governmental intelligence agencies. At the same time I am required to protect intelligence sources and methods and to consider in the dissemination of intelligence information and estimates the damage which might result from unauthorized disclosures. The only satisfactory solution to my dual problem lies in your hands. That is, for you to handle the intelligence you get with the same vigilance it customarily receives in the intelligence agencies. This requires a strict interpretation of the "need to know", thorough security procedures and the development of a security consciousness on the part of each official who may have access to intelligence information.

I have asked Mr. James Reber, Assistant Director for Intelligence Coordination, to discuss this matter with you and to offer you and Mr. Babbitt the assistance of this agency in achieving the degree of security which I am confident you will agree is necessary.

Sincerely,

Walter B. Smith
Director

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